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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 26th, 1906.

THE appointment of an imperial prince as successor to the present EMPEROR is apparently again coming on the tapis at Peking, and looking at the affair from an outside point of view it is full time in the interest of China, as well as of the Imperial family, that the present state of uncertainty should be put an end to. Although the principle of primogeniture is at the foundation of the succession laws of China, there are in effect so many exceptions to its rigid adoption that it has practically become of little account. The rule during the present dynasty has been that up to the present one of the sons of the EMPEROR actually on the throne has succeeded; but as to which, there has been left a wide margin of choice. YUNG CHENG, for instance, was the eleventh son of K'ANG HI and KIA K'ING was the fifteenth son of his father, the Emperor K'ANG LUNG. The Emperor H'EN FUNG ascended the throne on March 9th, 1850; he was the fourth son of his predecessor, but the three elder sons had died before their father without leaving issue, so that H'EN FUNG was really the heir by right of primogeniture. The imperial family of the T'ing had by the time of TAO KWANG lost almost all the virility of their great ancestors, and H'EN FUNG, although on his accession only nineteen, had already by debauchery ruined his constitution. In 1850, when the allied French and English were knocking at the gates of Peking this wretched sovereign, instead of buckling on his arms to save his capital, fled ignominiously to his neglected palace at Jehu, where the following year on August 22nd he died, despised by everyone, and most of all by those about him. He left one son, little more than an infant, the child of a concubine presented to him by a former Manchou governor in Canton, and

this son succeeded under the style of TUNG CHI; a regency being established composed of a younger brother of the deceased Emperor, I HIN, Prince KUANG, who had been born in 1833 and had taken an active part in the negotiations with the English and French; and conjoined with him, the actual EMPRESS DOWAGER, and TSE HI, mother of the new EMPEROR.

In 1873, the young EMPEROR having attained the age of 17, and being, apparently of an independent spirit, he determined to take the reins of government into his own hands. Prince KUANG and the EMPRESS DOWAGER seem to have coincided in this act; not so the more ambitious EMPRESS MOTHER TSE HI, who chafed at the reins being taken out of her hands, and sought to thwart her son at every step. Disgusted at the restrictions attempted to be placed on his private movements, the young EMPEROR acquired the habit of leaving his Palace secretly, and going in disguise amongst his people; and this led to a growing hostility between the youth and his exacting mother, which all the inner secrecy of the Imperial Palace could not succeed in hiding from the outside world. According to official accounts in one of these excursions the young EMPEROR contracted a bad attack of smallpox from which he never recovered, and died on January 12th, 1875. There are many well informed people, both in Peking and elsewhere, who have always held that his death was hastened, if not altogether caused artificially. The EMPEROR's private name was according to imperial custom TAI TIEN, the former of the two names being common to all the Imperial Princes of the same generation. TUNG CHI's successor to satisfy the names of the departed should have been a PU, that being the name selected for the succeeding generation. Seemingly to carry her spite beyond the grave, the IMPERIAL MOTHER, who by force of character had already begun to assume a commanding rôle in the Regency, passing over the families of the fifth and sixth sons of H'EN FUNG, selected a young grandson of the seventh, Prince CHUN, also a TAI; he was of tender years, not yet four, and the EMPRESS MOTHER calculated that under the cloak of another long regency she would remain virtual mistress of the Empire for the term of her natural life. The selection of a TAI as the new EMPEROR prevented the proper sacrifices, which only a member of a junior generation can offer efficiently, being made to the names of TUNG CHI, who thus was made to enter the world of spirits dishonoured, and practically, notwithstanding that he was actually the son of H'EN FUNG, an intruder.

So glaring an insult to the memory of both her husband and son did not pass without retribution, and as in such circumstances one wrong usually begets another, the DOWAGER, as she now styled herself, felt herself compelled to take a further step. Rumour affirmed that TUNG CHI's consort was pregnant, and in order to secure the throne to her nominee it was necessary to get rid of her. The stories of her death vary, but it is generally allowed that driven to despair by the harsh treatment she received, the young DOWAGER starved herself to death. In any case she followed her unfortunate husband to the grave on March 27th succeeding. On April 9th, 1881, the DOWAGER EMPRESS died, but the superior agility of the EMPRESS MOTHER had long reduced her influence to insignificance; the commanding personality of the same lady had also been in the long run effectual in restraining Prince KUANG, the third of the members of the regency, so that in the spring of 1884 she found herself strong enough to actually dismiss him; and from that time the EMPRESS MOTHER, now the DOWAGER EMPRESS, assumed the complete control of the Government. She had early taken steps to debase in body and mind the youthful EMPEROR by surrounding him with eunuchs and women, evidently fearing that as he came to years of discretion he might be disposed, like his cousin and predecessor, to assert his prerogative. He did in effect on attaining manhood nominally undertake the government, but for many years the EMPRESS DOWAGER was able to keep him in leading strings. Towards the latter end of 1897 his insubordination became more marked; he assembled round him a number of would-be reformers, and towards the autumn of 1898 had actually the hardihood to issue on his own account a number of ordinances ordering various reforms. Encouraged by his temporary success in September he had the courage to kick LI HUNG-CHANG out of Court, and even contemplated confining the redoubtable EMPRESS REGENT to her own

Palace. But he had reckoned without his host; LI at once went and laid the case before the EMPRESS REGENT, and YUEN SHI-KAI, to whom the EMPEROR had disclosed his plot, went off and betrayed his master. The tables were turned with a vengeance; the indignant lady confined the EMPEROR himself, and for some weeks his life was in danger, while all his schemes for reform were blighted. So far did she proceed that she even named his successor in the person of the young grandson of Prince TUN, the latter the fifth son of the EMPEROR TAO KWANG. The younger's name was PU TUNG, and he was thus, failing the life of KWAN SU, undoubtedly the direct successor of TAO KWANG. Then, of course, followed the affair of 1900 and the flight of the EMPRESS DOWAGER and her protégé to Shensi. The PRINCE, however, turned out a young scoundrel and totally unfit, and this conjoined with the demands of the foreign Powers ended in his official degradation. The EMPEROR KWANG-SU, however well meaning, was unfortunately weak both in body and mind, and lately it has been becoming more evident that his life is not to be depended on. Lately, too, there is no doubt that a strong anti-dynastic party is rising which has branches all through the Empire. For a long time the self-willed DOWAGER has been unwilling to sign what, rightly or wrongly, she interpreted as the warrant for her own resignation, and hence has arisen her hesitation in taking the final step. Born, however, in 1835, and so past her seventieth year, and worn out more or less with the enormous task of keeping the unruly Empire together, she begins to feel her energy evaporating, and is now disposed to contemplate a retirement from active life. Naturally there are several claimants to the high position. According to the strict laws of primogeniture, as understood in Europe, Prince TUN, who has been to Europe, and who has made a favourable impression on those with whom he has come in contact, would be the natural successor, but the PRINCE is unfortunately a TAI, and so could not offer the sacrifices to his two predecessors. The EMPEROR's younger brother is, however, married and has a young son, and is thus eligible; he is unfortunately almost an infant, and under existing circumstances it seems doubtful if China could afford another long minority. The alternative is a grandson of K'ING WANG, but KING WANG derives his descent from K'ING LUNG, and even in Chinese eyes this title seems too remote. At all events the situation is not promising in view of the very unmistakable anti-dynastic feeling abroad. In any case it has become almost a matter of necessity that the step so long deferred should be taken quickly, in view of very probable complications amongst the various claimants should it be longer delayed.

On page 5 will be found Local Sport and the usual Share Report.

Your plague fatalities were recorded at noon on Saturday, making the total 28.

The English mail of the 27th January was delivered in London on the 23rd instant.

The Hongkong Volunteers had a Maxima gun competition at Taikeo on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richards and family have left Foochow for home; not intending to return.

Special telegrams in the Echo de Chine say that Great Britain has demanded an indemnity for the destruction of churches near Amoy.

Three men (one of whom wore a false queue) fired a revolver at a policeman who tried to arrest them at Shanghai on the 17th instant. They had just committed a burglary. The policeman's belt partly stopped the bullet, and he was only slightly wounded.

The Foochow Echo says:—The project of forming a national Chinese Christian church (independent of foreign influence) is a notable one, and if successful, might ultimately supply the only possible solution of the troublesome "missionary question" by removing it altogether.

The second number of the V. R. C. Magazine (Feb.), under Mr. T. C. Gray's editorship, is a marked improvement, and he has a good excuse for the "dryness" of its predecessor. He has our congratulations for this number, which sets a standard that spells success if adhered to. Set out in tabular form, the "All Blacks" record in Great Britain and France is indeed "wonderful." Matches played 33, won 32, 853 points to 47.

The programme of music to be performed by the band of the 2nd Royal West Kent regiment on the new parade ground on Monday from 4.30 to 6 p.m. is as follows:—March "King Cotton," Sousa; Overture, "William Tell," Rossini; Valse, "Gold and Silver," Lehár; Selection, "The Flying Dutchman," Wagner; Air, "Pratincole," Lacombe; Serenade, "Moonlight," Moret; Selection, "The Yeomen of the Guard," Sullivan.

The visit of Prince Arthur of Connaught to Canada will extend throughout the month of April instead of only to ten days, as was originally intended. Great satisfaction is expressed at this change in the programme, as it will enable Prince Arthur to visit important points in the Dominion and to receive a fitting welcome.

Mr. George B. Dodwell, Chairman of Dodwell & Co. Ltd., has, we note, become Chairman of the Malacca Rubber Plantations, Ltd., a company which is being floated in London with a capital of £300,000. The company has been formed primarily for the purpose of carrying on business as rubber planters, and acquiring and working the Bukit Asahan estate in Malacca.

The following copy of War Office letter No. 115, Gen. No. 4,662 (A.C.S.) dated 6th January, 1906, is published:—I am directed to inform you that, provided the exigencies of the service permit, approval is given for passes to be granted to all soldiers of the Jewish persuasion who may be desirous of observing the undermentioned festivals during the current year, and I am to request that you will be so good as to issue the necessary orders accordingly:—Passover, 4 days, April 10th, 11th, 16th and 17th. Pentecost, 2 days, May 3rd and 31st. New Year, 2 days, September 20th and 21st. Day of Atonement, 1 day, September 29th. Tabernacles, 4 days, October 4th, 5th, 11th and 12th.

The King Alfred, cruiser, has been coaled at Portsmouth, taking in 2,500 tons from the collier J. Duncan. The ship went to sea on January 22nd for a steam trial, after which she was placed alongside the South Railway Jetty in readiness to proceed to China as flagship of the new Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur Moore, K.C.B., C.M.G., who relieves Sir Gerard Noel. Several alterations have been made in the accommodation of the ship to facilitate the extra number of officers borne, and a new wireless telegraph room has been erected on the boat deck, the wires being hung between the masts, instead of from the gaff, as hitherto.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

February, 24th.

ARMS.
Messrs. Carlowitz & Co. have notified the Sin Hau Kuk that 500 rifles and 500,000 smokeless powder cartridges ordered by the Provincial Government have arrived in Hongkong. Upon receipt of this notification the Sin Hau Kuk requested Viceroy Shun to issue a permit to be forwarded through H.B.M.'s Consulate for signature so that the arms and ammunition may be shipped to Canton for delivery.

A FATAL COLLISION.

The foggy weather renders navigation very difficult. On the 5th inst. a collision took place in the neighbourhood of Pak-Hin-Kok between the steamer Yunnan, of Butterfield and Swire, and a Chinese junk loaded with bricks and tiles. The junk sank immediately and a man called Ho Kun-yung, the father of the junk owner, was drowned. The matter was reported to the Water Police Station and now the Viceroy has sent a despatch to H.B.M.'s Consul General claiming damages from Messrs. Butterfield and Swire on behalf of the junk owner.

ELECTRIC LAMPS FOR CANTON.

It is reported in official circles that the Provincial Government intends to construct an electric tramway along the city walls. A survey has been made.

MORE ROBBERIES.

It is reported that several nights ago a house occupied by a man named Kan in Yim-po on the Patsan line was attacked by a band of robbers over one hundred in number who made good their escape after taking away loot of considerable value.

On the 18th inst., Chan Lin-tie, a Tean-si with his family engaged a fine flower boat to go to Kun-yin, a popular joss resort, where hundreds of people go at this time of the year and which may be reached in about an hour from Canton by steam launch. They arrived safely and went to the temple for the customary ceremony. When they returned to the flower-boat and all the family had got inside a band of robbers with revolvers suddenly rushed on board. The ladies of the family were stripped of all their jewellery, and even their outer garments by the bandits. The matter has been reported to the authorities. The spoils are estimated at about one thousand dollars.

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

It is reported that a telegram was received on the 18th inst. from Peking stating that the Waiwup and the Board of Commerce have settled with the British Minister that the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway will be built by the Chinese.

THEFTS FROM FRENCH CONSULATE.

Almost all the curios stolen from the French Consulate have been recovered in a shop in the Tai-Sang-kai (curio street), the thief having made a full confession and indicated where he had disposed of the stolen property. The curio-dealer ought to be prosecuted for receiving stolen property.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

On the 17th and 18th inst. the black cloth guild in Fatsan subscribed for 5,000 shares in the railway company. It is expected that this guild alone will be able to take up 20,000 shares altogether.

COAL DISCOVERED.

Li Kwok-on, of the Tin Sing Company, has discovered coal in Tai Kong, Ping Kong and Ha Ma villages of the Poon Yu district. He has raised capital and has petitioned the Poon Yu magistrate for permission to open mines. The Poon Yu magistrate despatched a deputy to inspect the mines on the 21st inst. and will report the matter to the Viceroy.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

THE CHINESE IN THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, February 22nd.

It appears that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's Chinese Labour announcement on the 20th instant was the result of a compromise between the Imperialist and the Radical sections of the Cabinet. The Radicals wanted the instant repatriation of the coolies at all hazards; the differences in the Cabinet are now removed.

AMENDMENT TO THE ADDRESS.

LONDON, February 22nd.

Col. Sanderson's amendment to the Address, which voiced the alarm of the Irish loyalists at the proposed Irish legislation, was rejected by 406 to 88.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB.

LONDON, February 22nd.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh, and other members of the Constitutional Club, have been expelled for supporting Radical candidates at the elections.

KING AND KAISER.

LONDON, February 22nd.

King Edward sent the Kaiser a cordial birthday letter on the 27th January, in which His Majesty announced his intention of visiting the Kaiser in Berlin after the conference.

THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

LONDON, February 22nd.

News from Washington says that Mr. Hull, the chairman of the House Committee of Military Affairs, stated that the situation in China necessitates keeping the army and navy in an efficient state. He strongly deprecated Mr. Rockhill's suggestion for the repayment of the Boxer indemnity to China, which he said ought to be used for building battleships.

PRINCE ARTHUR'S MISSION.

LONDON, February 22nd.

The Times says that the Carter Mission is an act of high national policy, which comes opportunely to remind us of enduring forces which mould the destinies of the world, irrespective of domestic politics, and points out that the Order of Merit was never before bestowed on foreigners. The article comments also, appreciatively, on the exceptional reception given by the Mikado to the Prince Arthur of Connaught.

THE JAPANESE FAMINE.

LONDON, February 23rd.

The Ottawa Government has purchased £5,000 worth of wheat and flour for the relief of the famine in Japan.

THE DUTY ON SUGAR.

LONDON, February 23rd.

Mr. Asquith says that there is no hope of the sugar duty being relieved under existing circumstances.

The report of the Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd., whose paid up capital is £1,500,000, for 1905, shows a divisible balance, after deducting the interim dividend of 6 per cent, paid in July last, of £248,875. It is proposed to pay a final dividend of 6 per cent, or 12 per cent for the year, to the shareholders, and carry forward £40,630 to the balance, £1,540,505.

An extraordinary N.C. Daily News says:—The Municipal Council has sent us an advance copy of the estimates for 1906. The ordinary expenditure for the year is estimated at £1,774,000, a surplus of £1,280,000 is expected. This surplus, £2,054,000, is carried to extraordinary income, but as the extraordinary expenditure is estimated at £1,280,000—so that income reached the two-million mark we have a deficit at the end of 1906 of £774,000. The Budget also contains of £1,500,000 extraordinary income and expenditure, but they are not to be taken into account at present, there is to be no change in taxation proposed, but there is nothing sensational in the Budget, and the proposed increase in the Indian branch of the police force will only call for a branch of the police this year. The most interesting part of the Budget is the section headed "Extraordinary Expenditure." There is a long record of work to be done during the year, work that must be done, and still leaving much to be done in succeeding years.

THE THEATRE.

"LADY MADCAP" BY THE HANDMANN OPERA CO.
That modern theatrical product, the "musical comedy," is from one point of view a hollow sham. Upon the slenderest peg of story hangs what is essentially a vaudeville entertainment. The "story" of "Lady Madcap" is absurd, what there is of it, but the bright music makes up for the lack of true comedy, and the entertainment itself is very pleasing and amusing. The opening performance of the Handmann Opera Co. on Saturday night calls for no criticism of acting; and the music and singing were so good as to disarm criticism. The orchestra began about a quarter of an hour late, by which time all the seats were filled. The opening scene, in which eleven ladies and a man in hunting "pink" danced the Sir Roger on the lawn of Lady Madcap's father's castle, gave the audience an opening to welcome old friends; and nods and bows and wistful smiles from the stage answered these hearty greetings. It was at once apparent that the chorus was strong and tuneful. Miss Georgie Corias was an excellent fit in the title rôle. It seemed that she had invited the officers of the East Anglian Hussars to a garden party, and to encamp their troops in her father's park. Lord Framingham (Mr. Duncan Munro) was very angry about this, but while called to Downing Street in haste, he could think of no better way to check his daughter's madcap career than to lock her in her room, giving the butler (Mr. R. St. George) charge of the key. The young lady got out of the window by a very convenient ladder, which was standing there unnoticed under his lordship's nose, and then the rest was roaring farce. Lady Madcap had advertised for a millionaire husband, and changed names with her friend (Miss Nora Morra) for no particularly obvious reason. A gentleman ranker with whom Lady Madcap (now disguised as her own maid) had fallen in love, was persuaded to "desert" and take the butler's place, the real butler having followed his master to London on a bogus errand. A very pretty duet and dance, "What? What?" by Messrs. Deane Percival and Spencer Trevor, which was very good indeed, and ended. Mr. Percival's song, "A way we have in the army," was also encored, and we particularly admired the "sat" of the stage and chorus during this item. It was very ingenious and effective. Of course a fraudulent millionaire answered the advertisement, and thus excellent low comedy was introduced by Messrs. Lester and Will Smith—both capably dressed. Their topical duet was twice encored. Following this Mr. Ernest Atwell as a French Count (much more like the real article than the usual stage Frenchman with his shrugs and mixed rapid-fire attire) sang very sweetly and expressively "Do I like love." His was throughout really singing of very high order, and was encored every time. Mr. Corias' sprightly song and dance was also encored. Miss Wilmet Karkook (who had the part of lady's maid) is a remarkably clever dancer, and with Mr. Harry Cole (the gentleman ranker) earned hearty applause with a catchy duet. Miss Morra and Mr. Atwell sang a tender duet very pleasingly, and the first act, having run quickly and smoothly to a triumphant end, closed with a capital medley duet by Messrs. Lester and Smith. A good sextet preface a nice song and dances by Miss Morra, Miss Karkook and Mr. Cole were encored for a "Gollywog" duet, and Mr. Lester made a hit with a satirical song about club men. So did Miss Karkook with a new American song, "I don't seem to want you when you're with me," in which she was ably seconded by Mr. Harry Cole. Mr. Atwell's greatest triumph was with a clever song, "It's you I love, not your dress." The song with chorus responses, "The Missus," by Miss Karkook, also went very well, together with that lady's wonderful dancing. Mr. Cole had a very amusing duet, "The Boot and the Beetle," which suited his style, and was encored. He also is a remarkably clever dancer, and was twice encored for positively "twinkling" his legs. The performance was over by a quarter to twelve, and the large audience seemed thoroughly pleased. To-night the Company presents the pantomime "Aladdin."

SHANGHAI'S BUDGET.

The N.C. Daily News says:—The Municipal Council has sent us an advance copy of the estimates for 1906. The ordinary expenditure for the year is estimated at £1,774,000, a surplus of £1,280,000 is expected. This surplus, £2,054,000, is carried to extraordinary income, but as the extraordinary expenditure is estimated at £1,280,000—so that income reached the two-million mark we have a deficit at the end of 1906 of £774,000. The Budget also contains of £1,500,000 extraordinary income and expenditure, but they are not to be taken into account at present, there is to be no change in taxation proposed, but there is nothing sensational in the Budget, and the proposed increase in the Indian branch of the police force will only call for a branch of the police this year. The most interesting part of the Budget is the section headed "Extraordinary Expenditure." There is a long record of work to be done during the year, work that must be done, and still leaving much to be done in succeeding years.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—On the 24th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen over W. Japan and N. China, and fallen again in S. China. Pressure is highest over N. China, and a low area lies over S.W. China and Tong King. Moderate variable winds are indicated in the Formosa Channel, and fresh winds over the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Fresh S. wind; squally, show-

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

At the eighty-first ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation held at the City Hall at noon on Saturday, Mr. H. W. Slade presided. There were also present—Hon. Mr. R. Sheehan, Hon. Mr. C. J. Dickson, Messrs. A. Haupt, E. Goetz, C. R. Leuzmann, N. A. Sieck, G. H. Melhuish, F. Salinger, E. Shellin (Directors), J. R. M. Smith (Chief Manager), Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart, Messrs. J. A. Jupp, W. H. Gaskell, G. Murray Bain, S. Hancock, H. E. R. Hunter, A. G. Morris, J. C. Peter, Dr. Noble, C. W. May, H. N. Mody, N. J. Stubb, Captain Tillett, H. M. H. Nemze, H. W. Fraser, Ho Fook, J. J. Lohrin, J. Barton, C. E. Anton, R. R. Hynd, L. Berindongue, F. A. Gomes, B. Layton, Ho Kom-tung, W. S. Jackson, Wong Leung-lui, J. A. Chiny, J. MacArthur, W. Lysaght, A. R. Lowe, J. P. Michael, J. Orange, C. H. Rygge, A. Rodger, E. Kadoorie, Capt. Goddard, W. H. Wickham, A. Forbes, W. H. Purcell, Lo Cheung-shui, Cheung Pui-kai, H. S. Michael, C. H. Thompson, E. S. Kadoorie, D. Forbes, J. M. S. Alves, A. V. Apar, H. Schroeter, S. A. Levy and C. J. Gonsalves.

The notice convening the meeting and the report having been read, the CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen.—The report which I have read on the half-year's working of the Bank is an exception to the favourable statements your directors have had the pleasure of laying before you for many years past, and I think there is no doubt it will meet with your approval. I hope that the proposed distribution of profits will also prove satisfactory to you. We recommend the addition of \$10 per share to the reserve. In June last we increased the dividend from 21/2 to 21/4, and I am glad to say that so far results have warranted that step. We are also again proposing a dividend of 21/4, and also a bonus of 21/4, making a distribution of 24/10 per share for the year. As regards the amount of the bonus, while circumstances have again been exceptionally favourable I feel that I must repeat the caution uttered by my predecessor in the chair to the effect that the \$1 bonus should not be looked upon as a recurring certainty; more especially in view of the fact that we have since added 10/- a year to the ordinary dividend. It is only fitting that I should say at once that the thanks of shareholders are due to our managers, agents and staff generally, and I am sure you will approve of our action in voting them a bonus of 15 per cent. on their salaries. Turning to the balance sheet you will find that our note circulation shows an increase of \$30,000,000 compared with the figures on 30th June last, while silver current accounts are some \$50,000,000 less, reflecting the usual demand for money at the end of the year. The withdrawal of some of the local funds temporarily lodged with us in London, accounts for the decrease in gold current accounts. Deposits in gold remain practically unchanged, while silver deposits show an increase of \$25,000,000. Outstanding on the heading of bills payable are \$12,000,000 less than six months ago. On the other side of the account you will see that we are in a very strong cash position. Coin lodged with the Hongkong Government against excess note issue has risen from \$8,500,000 to \$10,000,000, our cash shows an increase of \$30,000,000, and we have about \$11,000,000 less on hand and in transit. These increases are mainly accounted for by the expansion in our note issue already referred to, and by the preparations made for the usual requirements of trade at this period of the year. Indian Government Rupee paper, and Consols, Colonies and other securities, stand at \$11,334,370.35 against \$13,951,569.60 on June 30th. Sterling Reserve Fund investments remain unchanged. Current exchange is now over 2/-, the rate at which our gold reserve appears in the balance sheet, but any difference on that account is more than counter-balanced by the price at which the sterling investments stand in our books as compared with their market value. Bills receivable are lower by about \$13,000,000, and there is a similar reduction in bills discounted, loans and credits. The dollar totals shown in the balance sheet, although higher than a year ago, are less than on June 30th; this, however, is accounted for to a large extent by the rise in the price of silver and the consequent higher level of exchange. The confident expectation that a revival of trade in the Far East would result immediately upon the conclusion of peace between Japan and Russia has not been altogether fulfilled, but though more slowly than was at first anticipated, yet surely the signs of renewed activity appear. With reference more particularly to the region directly affected by the war it is noteworthy that an agreement has been arrived at between Japan and China which, if interpreted in a wise and statesman-like spirit, should eventually secure for all the great commercial nations interested the obvious benefit of the maintenance of the open door in Manchuria and equal trading opportunities for all, thus realising the aim which has been so steadily advocated from this chair for many years. We must not forget that it takes considerable time to move large bodies of troops, and this operation has involved the requisitioning of all available means of inland transport, preventing the free distribution of merchandise to the various markets in Manchuria. Notwithstanding these difficulties, however, a considerable business has been done and there seems every reason to expect that on the opening of the Northern ports and with transport available throughout the country, we shall see a greater demand for foreign manufactures and the opening of new and more extended markets in this large and important province. Gentlemen, the Bank continues to improve its position; we have made a good start for the present half

year, and I think you may safely look forward with confidence to the future. If any shareholder wishes to put any questions I shall be pleased to answer them.

No questions being asked, the CHAIRMAN moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. Jupp—I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and statement of accounts. I feel I am only voicing the sentiments of all shareholders present in congratulating the Directors, the Chief Manager and staff on the splendid results they are again able to place before us. The bonus of 15 per cent. of their salaries voted to the staff, I am confident, meets with the very hearty approval of all shareholders (applause). As regards the dividend and bonus proposed to be distributed we have also good reason to be pleased to see a gradual increase of returns to shareholders. We are all relieved, I am sure, that the terrible war which raged for eighteen months in this part of the world is now a thing of the past and that a revival in trade is beginning to be apparent. The strong position attained by the Bank should, I think, be a source of congratulation and pride not only to its shareholders but to the whole Colony. The Colony and the Corporation have grown up together so to speak and each has contributed to the growth of the other. I cannot, I think, do better, therefore, than conclude these few remarks with the wish that they may long continue to thrive and flourish to their mutual benefit and advantage and to the good of us all.

The motion was carried. Mr. Thompson moved that Mr. C. E. Leuzmann be appointed to the Board of Directors, also that Messrs. H. W. Slade, E. Shellin and E. Goetz be re-elected.

Mr. ROSS seconded the motion and was carried. Mr. HANCOCK moved, and Captain FILLET seconded, the re-appointment of Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. G. Wood as auditors. Carried.

The CHAIRMAN—That concludes the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday. Dr. Noble said:—Gentlemen.—Before we part, I would like to ask you to join with me in a hearty vote of thanks to the Court of Directors, the Chief Manager, managers and staff, all of whom have laboured diligently and faithfully on our behalf. They are each and all deserving of the greatest praise for the able manner in which they have managed the enormous funds entrusted to their care, and the results produced as shown in the accounts just submitted to and passed by you. As each report is issued I always remark that I cannot imagine how on earth they contain such a standard of excellence. But they do. I, therefore, propose a vote of thanks to the Court, the able managers and staff generally (applause).

On behalf of the concerned, the CHAIRMAN briefly returned thanks and the meeting ended.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO.

The seventh ordinary general meeting of the shareholders in the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, was held on Saturday forenoon at the office of the general managers, Messrs. Sheehan, Tames & Co. The Hon. Mr. R. Sheehan presided, and the others present were—Sir Paul Chater, Dr. J. W. Noble, Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson (directors), Captain Clarke, Messrs. A. Denison, E. J. Moss, G. J. B. Sayer, Captain Goddard, A. Babinetto, J. R. Michael, W. Parlane, H. F. Carmichael, S. Somerville, A. Roza, G. Murray Bain, and W. S. Jackson.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen.—The Report and Accounts for 1905 were issued on 9th instant and we will therefore with your permission take them as read now. As we anticipated at last year's meeting we have done still better than before, and the accounts show a gross profit on working of \$498,834.00 as against \$444,004.00 last year, the net amount available for appropriation, after deducting interest and sundry charges and allowing for depreciation, being \$437,319.87. Out of this we propose to place \$10,000 to Reserve Fund, and pay a dividend of \$2.00 per share and a bonus dividend of 50 cents, absorbing \$375,000, leaving \$52,319.87 to be carried forward to the credit of next year's account. As it was represented to us by influential shareholders that a larger dividend than that of last year, viz., \$2.00 was expected, and as we are anxious to meet the views of shareholders though at the same time we are averse to increasing the usual rate of dividend until we feel more confident of maintaining it at the increased figure, we recommend an extra bonus dividend of 50 cents per share on this occasion, which we hope will be approved by all shareholders. As good provision has been made for depreciation, and as the Reserve Fund is invested in the business of the Company itself, and is not a reserve in the true sense of the word, we recommend placing only \$10,000 to the credit of that fund, which will then amount to \$910,000. Throughout the year the demand for our cement was very good, and we had no difficulty in disposing of all we turned out. The full benefit of our new rotary kilns was not, however, received, as after their installation much time was necessarily consumed in training our workmen, and acclimating them to the new condition of things. I am pleased to say that these kilns now promise to exceed our highest anticipations. So much for the Profit and Loss Account. Referring to the balance sheet you will have no doubt noticed the large stocks principally of raw material that we are carrying. I can only assure you that this is absolutely necessary. Your General Managers lay great stress on the advisability of keeping these stocks, and would make them even larger if possible, as with our continually increasing output, even now, they are by no means large in proportion to the consumption. They are all valued at

actual cost, and no credit has been taken for any profit on manufactured cement. As you will see from the figures a great deal of money is tied up in these stocks, and so, in spite of the last increase of capital, we still owe \$250,000 to our bankers. The other items in the balance sheet are comparatively trifling, and I do not think require any explanation. I now come to another point which has been raised. We have been urged by some of our largest shareholders to pay an interim dividend half-yearly, but it seems to us that it would be hardly right to do this so long as we have to go to our bankers for the money. The payment of this dividend will increase the present overdraft considerably, so, if we are to wait for interim dividends until we have funds in hand, we may have to wait some time. The only way we can meet the wishes of these shareholders is to raise more capital, and it is proposed that we should issue a further 50,000 shares at par, which will bring in \$500,000, and raise the capital to \$2,000,000. We cannot expect to always run

on borrowed money, and \$2,000,000 is not a large capital for the business we are doing. On the contrary you must not run away with the idea that such works as ours could be built with a capital of over \$2,000,000, for to that you must add \$800,000 of original capital written off, and the \$800,000 at reserve, which is really capital. So that to duplicate factories such as ours to-day would take at least \$4,000,000, if not more, and years of experience into the bargain to run the business. Of course this proposed increase of capital must be dealt with at a special meeting, of which due notice will be given, and it will be then for shareholders to decide whether they are in favour of it or not. We might have followed the previous course, and issued the shares at a premium, but shareholders appeared to be opposed to this, and as the five lacs seems to be about all we shall need we recommend leaving the shares at par. The new shares will of course rank equally with the old shares for dividend, and to save time and trouble all concerned it is proposed to make one call only of \$10 due on 31st July next. As regards the future it is impossible to make a forecast, the brightest feature in our favour is that the use of Portland cement (for you must not forget that ours is true Portland cement) has increased, and is increasing all over the world. Coal too which has been very high during the year has fallen somewhat in price, but on the other hand the present high rate of exchange is against us, and then too our two best and largest local contracts are rapidly running out. However, railways in China have brought us some business, and will, we hope, bring us a good deal more. There is nothing more that occurs to me useful to add except that I should like to put on record your General Managers' appreciation of the loyal and hearty support they have received from the Manager, Mr. Uddall, his deputy, Mr. Hewitt, and all the staff at both factories in a very busy year (applause).

The CHAIRMAN—If there are no questions, I will move the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. MICHAEL—You dilated just now upon the increase of capital. Some of the shareholders are opposed to it; just as a matter of principle I ask you if these are to be issued at \$10 and will participate in the dividend of 20 per cent, would it not have been better to borrow money at 6 per cent, and give the shareholders the benefit of the difference? That is from the general managers' point of view.

The CHAIRMAN—It would certainly be better if you could depend on getting money at six per cent.

Mr. MICHAEL—Every company in Hong Kong is getting money at six per cent. It is only a matter of principle. As a shareholder I like the proposal very much.

The adoption of the report, which was seconded by Sir PAUL CHATER, was then agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. PARLANE, and seconded by Mr. CARMICHAEL, Sir Paul Chater, Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson, and Dr. J. W. Noble were re-elected to the Consulting Committee.

It was proposed by Capt. CLARKE, seconded by Mr. MOSS, and carried unanimously that Messrs. T. Arnold and W. H. Potts be re-elected auditors.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are ready now.

POLICE COURT.

Saturday, February 24th.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

ALLEGED FORGERY. Chan Yu-mui, described as a bank clerk, was charged (1) with forging a passage-ticket with the intention of obtaining a passage to Bangkok on board the s.s. *Loosok*, on the 22nd inst., and (2), with uttering the said passage-ticket with the intention of defrauding the master of the s.s. *Loosok*. Mr. H. J. Gedge, (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the prosecution.

In support of the charge it was stated that the defendant was found to be selling passage tickets and one of the witnesses obtained 18 from him for deck passengers to travel by the steamer *Loosok*. The tickets were sold under the usual price and the purchaser becoming suspicious went to the steamer's comptroller to see if they were good. The comptroller promptly detected that the tickets were forgeries. Detective Wilson then made inquiries with the result that he arrested the defendant at No. 223, Queen's Road West and there found a book of passage tickets and some forged tickets. The tickets were imitations of those issued by the N. D. L. Company.

The defendant was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

THE STATUE OF SIR THOMAS JACKSON.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR UNVEILS THE MEMORIAL.

On Saturday H. E. the Governor unveiled the beautiful statue of Sir Thomas Jackson which has been erected opposite the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in Des Voeux Road. The statue is erected in commemoration of past services rendered to the Corporation by Sir Thomas Jackson, whose pioneer work placed the Bank in its present thriving position. There was a large gathering to witness the ceremony, and His Excellency Major Sir Matthew Nathan arrived at the appointed time, accompanied by his A.D.C., Captain Arbutnot Leslie. Amongst others present were—Messrs. H. A. W. Slade, A. Haupt, Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson, E. Goetz, C. R. Leuzmann, G. H. Melhuish, F. Salinger, Hon. Mr. R. Sheehan, E. Shellin, N. A. Sieck (Directors), J. R. M. Smith (Chief Manager), Colonel Chater (of the Argyll and Sutherland

Highlanders), formerly stationed in Hongkong, an old friend of Sir Thomas Jackson's who happened to be passing through the Colony), His Hon. Sir Francis Piggott, Sir C. Paul Chater, C.M.G., T. Arnold, G. Murray Bain, L. Berindongue, J. W. Bolles, Hon. Mr. A. W. Browne, G. de Champeaux, Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, J. A. Chiny, T. P. Cochran, T. P. Christiani, W. A. Cruickshank, W. Danby, H. Gaskell, H. J. Gedge, A. Hancock, S. Hancock, F. A. Hazeldene, E. A. Hewett, T. F. Hough, Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, H. Humphreys, W. G. Humphreys, H. U. Jeffries, Dr. G. P. Jordan, J. A. Jupp, E. S. Kadoorie, J. T. Lantz, D. B. Law, B. Layton, A. B. Linton, W. Lysaght, J. K. Michael, A. S. Mihara, M. T. Minami, E. W. Mitchell, H. N. Mody, A. G. Morris, G. C. Moxon, Dr. J. W. Noble, J. Orange, E. Pahnny, H. Pinckney, G. W. F. Playfair, W. H. Potts, E. A. Ram, A. H. Rennie, E. W. Rutter, W. J. Saunders, M. W. Slade, Hon. Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, Dr. Harton, Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart, M. Stewart, A. G. Stokes, H. Sater, Hon. Mr. A. M. Thompson, C. H. Thompson, A. Turner, G. T. Voitch, J. Y. Y. Vernon, J. Whittall, His Hon. Mr. A. G. Wise, A. G. Wood, H. P. White, F. B. Deacon, M. S. Northcote, J. C. Peter, H. E. R. Hunter, C. W. May, N. A. Sieck, A. Forbes, Capt. Tillett, N. M. H. Nemze, H. W. Fraser, Capt. Goddard, A. R. Lowe, C. H. Rygge, A. Rodger, W. H. Wickham, W. H. Purcell, J. J. Lohrin, W. S. Jackson, S. H. Michael, D. Forbes, H. Schroeter, S. A. Levy, A. V. Apar, J. Barton, C. E. Anton, R. R. Hynd, F. A. Gomes, G. H. Piercy, T. Owen, W. H. Potts, A. Gaskell, C. H. Rygge, Capt. W. E. Clark, Ho Kom-tung, Lo Cheung-shui, J. Y. Y. Jorg, J. Jones Hughes, S. A. Joseph, C. E. H. Reavis, R. Mitchell, A. G. Gordon, D. E. Brown, C. D. Wilkinson, A. Sclerous Hooper, and H. B. Heumskirk.

His Excellency was met by Mr. H. W. Slade and Mr. J. R. M. Smith, who supported him in the stage from which the ceremony was to be performed. Mr. SLADE said:—Your Excellency and Gentlemen.—By way of introducing to the ceremony in which we are about to take part, I will briefly recapitulate the circumstances which have led up to it. Sir Thomas Jackson took over the Chief Management of the Hongkong Bank in 1876 when its fortunes were not very flourishing, when indeed its circumstances were somewhat humble. He laid down the burden in 1902, leaving the Institution proudly and, as we think, firmly established, as the premier bank in the Far East. He was always the first to claim that these results were in a large measure due to the splendid services rendered by the men who were associated with him in his life's work, but he was more than a leader. There are leaders who command admiration by the brilliancy of their intellectual achievements, but who otherwise fail to command our respect. A successful banker must have more than intellect. He must have character. Character has more to do with successful banking even than brilliant intellectual gifts, for after all, the great thing is to inspire confidence. Your Excellency and gentlemen, Sir Thomas Jackson had both combined, and when he left the Colony although happily still to be connected with us as Chairman of our London Committee the shareholders of the Bank decided that it was only fitting that some monument should be erected to remind those who shall come after us of the man and of his work. They decided that it should take the form of a statue, to be set up in the vicinity of the Head Office, so that it might come to be regarded as part and parcel of, and be permanently identified with, the institution in the building of which he for so long took the leading part. Gentlemen, His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan has kindly consented to unveil the statue, and I now, on behalf of all the shareholders, have the honour of asking him to perform the ceremony.

His Excellency, who was received with applause, said—Mr. Slade and Gentlemen.—I am glad the Directors have asked me to do this. In the three months that I spent in England in 1904 between my return from the Gold Coast and my departure for Hongkong, I had the good fortune to make the acquaintance of three men whose powers of mind, strength of character, and attractiveness of personality far transcended those which fall to the common lot. And I recognized in these three men the type that had maintained, during the last quarter of the nineteenth century, the greatness of the British Empire outside the metropolitan country. The first of the three was Sir George Dashwood (Baron) Guthrie, who, while guiding the affairs of the Royal Niger Company, had secured the months of the Niger for Great Britain. The second was Sir Frank Swettenham, who, in a long connection with the Malay States, raised them to their present prosperous condition. The third was the man who, for 26 years, steered the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank through difficulties and dangers to splendour and security, who tempered wise caution with equally wise boldness, British earnestness with Irish joyfulness, and necessary strictness with genuine kindness. It is his whose features—done in bronze—by Mr. Bagge, we shall now see before us, and shall admire with the esteem and respect Sir Thomas Jackson so well deserves (heart, cheer, and applause).

His Excellency then pulled the necessary rope, the shroud which encircled the statue fell away and the well-known figure was revealed, being received with three rousing cheers.

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Mr. J. R. M. SMITH—I have much pleasure in according a hearty vote of thanks to H. E. Sir Matthew Nathan for his kindness in coming here to-day to perform the ceremony of unveiling the statue of Sir Thomas Jackson. Also, on behalf of the staff I would like to take this opportunity of thanking shareholders and directors for their second mark of appreciation of the services of our old chief (hear, hear). The bank staff will ever look upon Sir Thomas Jackson as a personal friend, for he was always full of kind thoughtfulness and consideration for those under his command. Gentlemen, we are all proud to have worked with him, and gratified to think that he has been so greatly honoured. I am sure you will all join me in the earnest hope that he may long live to wear his laurels (applause). Gentlemen, three cheers for H.E. the Governor.

The cheers were accorded, likewise a "tiger." His Excellency's acknowledgment being—"Thank you, gentlemen. You are very good to me."

REMINISCENT.

Sir Thomas Jackson is one of those men whose memory does not need a monument to keep it alive. In his case the words of my predecessor, circumstances are most aptly applicable. As Sir Henry Blake said in 1898, when Mr. Thomas Jackson was receiving the letters patent of knighthood, "Who does not know T. J. P. I believe, ladies and gentlemen, that if letters were dropped in the post in St. Petersburg, Berlin, Paris, London, Disco, Santa Fe, and the little post office of the Straits of Magellan addressed 'T. J. China,' they would find their way into the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in Queen's Road." In more recent years, the Governor of that day referred to "the tongue of good report, that crystallised estimate of a man who has been for many years in a prominent position before the public, and whose acts and thoughts and feelings have become factors in the general welfare." The keywords of that "good report" were honesty and ability. Sir Thomas Jackson's ability was apparent to all, and his superlative honesty was an article of faith with all who had dealings of any kind with him. We got the impression, indeed, that he is not merely an honest man—"the noblest work of God"—but that his honour is of so scrupulous a sort that his fellow-men look up to him as a kind of commercial saint. His unflagging energy went beyond banking, beyond money-making; he did "good work for the general interest of the empire," and so set an example that might well be taken by some other Irishmen of these degenerate days. His ingenuous character was displayed in the manner with which he accepted the honour of knighthood. He named the colleagues whom he considered to have done ungrudging "sterling service to the Empire," Messrs. Cameron and Hillier. He was happy in his remark that he looked upon the Hongkong Bank as his "Number one wife" and the laughter and applause did not obscure the recognition that he had for many years been a very devoted husband indeed. It is worth remembering that he then had "the greatest opinion of the future of Hongkong," and we may be pardoned the little suppositions touch of suggesting that the presence of the mere effigy of such a man in Hongkong should be regarded as a "good job."

SHOOTING.

The monthly shoot in connection with the Right Half No. 2 Company, H.K.V.C., took place at Tai Hong Range yesterday (Sunday). The first six cards returned were—

	H'rap.	Total
Gunner A. T. Pugh...	83	17
Gunner F. A. Bieden...	71	18
Gunner E. B. Reed...	62	21
Corporal H. D. Bell...	63	12
Donb. A. E. Wright...	55	15
Gunner A. F. Warrack...	62	18

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER TROOP.

Yesterday the members of the Hongkong Volunteer Troop took part in a competition calling for a display of general yeomanry attainments. The competitors, working in pairs, were started at intervals of 20 minutes from the bottom of Wong-wei-Cheung Hill by Sergeant-Major Hudson. Each pair rode to Wong-wei-Cheung Gap, at which place the odd number dismounted with rifle and proceeded by the shortest route to Deep Water Bay to which place the even number had in the interval led his partner's pony by road. Arrived here, the odd number fired five rounds at a target and thereafter carried out an order communicated to him, and having completed this he mounted his own pony and led his partner's back by road to Wong-wei-Cheung Gap. Meanwhile the even number had fired five rounds at a target and carried out a given order afterwards returning by the shortest route to the same point as his partner and, having remounted his pony, returned with his partner to the starting point. Each pair was allowed fifteen minutes in which to complete firing and execute the written orders handed to them and draw a map of the island as well. The results were very satisfactory indeed, the average time for all the competitors being 1 hour 10 minutes. Messrs. Gedge and Moxon did the work in the shortest time—1 hour 4 minutes. Major Pritchard acted as judge, while Lieut. Ross, commanding the troop, adjudicated at the targets.

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TEMPORARY REMOVAL

H. YEREA'S PHOTO STUDIO has been TEMPORARILY REMOVED to No. 8, ARBENAL STREET, and business will be continued at that place.

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STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE

THE SETTLEMENTS this month (February) will take place on TUESDAY, 14th instant.

By Order of the Committee, E. S. JOSEPH, Hon. Secretary.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the half year ending 31st December, 1905, at the rate of One Pound and Fifteen Shillings together with a Bonus of One Pound Sterling per Share of £125 is payable on and after Monday, the 26th day of February, Current, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Committee, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. 495

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Charter Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of MARCH, 1906, at 11:30 A.M., when the subject of the Resolution will be proposed.

Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION.

That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$2,000,000 by the creation and issue of 50,000 NEW SHARES of \$40 each fully paid up to be offered at par and if accepted to be allotted to the persons constituting the Shareholders of the Company according to the Company's register of Shareholders on the First day of July, 1906, in the proportion of One New Share for every three Old Shares in the Company held by the respective Shareholders thereof, the amount payable on each of such New Shares to be paid on the 31st day of July, 1906, and that failing such allotment as aforesaid the said New Shares be disposed of by the General Managers in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.

Dated the 24th day of February, 1906.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

FROM HAMBURG.

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THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SLAVONIA," Captain Porcellis, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded under notice to the contrary being given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they are not to be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd March will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd March, at 10 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. 497

GOVERNMENT BILLS

TENDERS for SPECIE, BRITISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days sight on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M. on the 26th February, 1906.

The Tenders to state the total amount (in Pounds Sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers, addressed to the CHIEF PAYMASTER, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

J. B. GALE, Capt. A.P.D., H.M. Treasury Chest Officer, His Majesty's Treasury Office, Fletcher Street.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. 498

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 26th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1906. 319

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, King's Buildings, Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st February to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. 411

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 8th March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd instant to the 8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order, C. PEMBERTON, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. 399

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 10th day of MARCH, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the Resolutions set out below, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 16th day of February, 1906, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

By Order of the Board, JAMES WHITTALL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906.

RESOLUTIONS:

(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:—

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely:—

130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

(2) That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders on the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905 shall be called for by, or presented to, the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted.

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NOTICES OF FIRMS

MR. WILLIAM WILSON is authorized to Sign our Firm from this date.

TAIT & CO.

Amoy, 6th February, 1906. 475

L'URBAINE FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF PARIS.

WE have This Day RESIGNED the AGENCY at this Port of the above Fire Insurance Co.

P. LEMAIRE & Co.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 448

L'URBAINE FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF PARIS.

HAVING been Appointed, This Day, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Insurance Co., we are prepared to accept Risks at Current Rates.

MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., 3, Duddell Street.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 449

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE

FROM this date, and during the Absence of Mr. Geo. L. TOMLIN from the Colony, Mr. C. PEMBERTON has been Appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.

A. G. WOOD, Chairman.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. 1303

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTONJEE'S, KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905.

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the CAPT. SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to sell by Public Auction

TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 26th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 11 A.M., at the CENTRAL POLICE STATION'S COMPOUND, SUNDAY OBSOLETE & CONDEMNED STORES.

Comprising:—

RICE, SUGAR, OLD METAL, CLOTHING, &c., &c., &c.

Also

A QUANTITY OF SILVER, GOLD and DIAMOND JEWELRY.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1906. 454

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held THIS DAY (MONDAY), 26th day of Feb. 1906, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years commencing from the 22nd day of January, 1906, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Sq. Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
100	N. S. E. W.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	10,000	102	7,613

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

A MEETING of MEMBERS will be held at the COFFEE ROOM at the RACE COURSE, on WEDNESDAY, 28th inst., at 5.15 P.M.

BUSINESS:—To elect a COMMITTEE and draw up a PROGRAMME for the ensuing season.

C. G. MACKIE, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. 483

MUNICIPAL & COUNTY ENGINEERS EXAMINATION.

SEVERAL PERSONS in Hongkong are desirous of competing for the above Examination, providing that the examination can be held in this Colony.

Any further candidates who would be willing to compete are kindly requested to send their names to—

ALFRED CARTER, M.R. SAN. INST., 5, Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. 484

FRENCH PLANTS AND FLOWERS.

If you want to buy FRENCH IMPORTED PLANTS, apply to Mon. E. GONON, No. 37, Des Vaux Road, where you will find all sorts of Ornamental Plants, Roses, European Fruit Trees, Bulbs, Flowering and Vegetable Seeds. A visit is solicited.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1906. 480

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED are in receipt of telegraphic advice to the effect that the s.s. "LOTHIAN," which sailed hence for New York on the 14th December last, has put into Malta for repairs, and that it will be necessary for the steamer to dry dock there before proceeding on her voyage to New York.

DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1906. 496

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREE-MASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, 1st March, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brothers are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1906. 478

INSURANCES

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1904, £17,161,239.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £3,000,000

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 2,750,000

PAYED UP CAPITAL, 887,500 0 0

II. FIVE FUNDS, 3,001,388 12 9

The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. 11567

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-EN-CHAPPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 113

L'UNION DE PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS against FIRE at current rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. 29

MITSU BISHI GOSHI-KWAISHA (MITSU BISHI CO.)

COAL DEPARTMENT

MARUNO-UCHI, TOKIO.

Cable Address, "IWASAKI," which applies to all Branch Offices and Hongkong and Shanghai Agencies.

AI, ABC 5th Edition, Western Union Code used.

All Letters Addressed:—

MANAGERS, MITSU BISHI CO., with name of place under.

BRANCH OFFICES:—

NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE, KARATSU and HANKOW.

AGENTS:—

SHANGHAI: H. J. H. TRIPP.

HONGKONG: H. U. JEFFRIES.

MANILA: MACDONALD & CO.

CHINKIANG: GEARING & CO.

YOKOHAMA: M. ASADA.

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Foreign Navies; the Imperial Armies; the Imperial Railway; Sanyo, Kinshu and the other Principal Railways; Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and Freight Steamers.

EXPORTERS OF COAL to Hongkong, Shanghai, Hankow, Singapore, Manila, North China, Korean ports and America.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of Takashima, Ochi, Shinmori, Namazuta and Kami-Yamada Collieries and also Hojo Colliery, which will shortly be ready to produce on a large scale the best Runon Coal.

Sole Agents for Kijiro, Komatsu (Tagawa) and Yashimochi Coal (Kamatsu).

The Head and Branch Offices and the Agencies of the Company will receive any order for Coals produced from the above Collieries.

Coal sold in 1904 by the Company amounted to 1,520,000 tons.

TAKASHIMA COAL

New and additional shafts at the Takashima Colliery have been completed and this well-known best and most economical steam Coal in the East is now produced in abundance and can be supplied in any quantity.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1905. 1108

ENTERTAINMENTS

THEATRE ROYAL, HONGKONG.

Lessee and Manager: MAURICE E. BANDMANN

IMPORTANT ENGAGEMENT OF THE WORLD RENOWNED

BANDMANN OPERA Co.

UNDER THE PERSONAL DIRECTION OF MAURICE E. BANDMANN

And by special arrangement with Mr. GEORGE EDWARDS and the Gaiety Theatre, London.

SEASON FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY.

TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), 26th FEB. ALADDIN. (ONE NIGHT ONLY).

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), 27th FEB. SERGT. BRUE.

WEDNESDAY, 28th FEB. LITTLE MICHUS.

THURSDAY, 1st MARCH. EARL AND THE GIRL.

Prices of Admission \$3, \$2 and \$1.

Seats can now be booked. Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO Co.

Doors Open at 8.30. Commence usual time.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. 407

TO LET

TO LET.

TWO FURNISHED ROOMS in Private House. Suit Married Couple or Gentleman. Tennis Court.

Apply to "B." Care of "Daily Press" Office.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. 485

HONGKONG CLUB.

TO LET.

TWO ROOMS on the Ground Floor of the annex, from 1st September next, suitable for Offices. For particulars apply to the undersigned.

C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1905. 110

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables, entrances in both Kennedy and MacDonnell Roads.

For full particulars, apply to—

LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. 82

TO LET.

TOP FLOOR (5 Rooms) 19, Queen's Road, (above Messrs. GREGOR & Co.'s Office).

FIRST FLOOR (4 Rooms), YORK BUILDING.

Apply to—

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. 393

TO LET.

NO. 74, CAINE ROAD.

NO. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD.

Apply to—

COMPTON'S DEPARTMENT Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Hongkong, 3rd June, 1905. 80

TO LET.

NOS. 1 and 2, HUMPHREYS AVENUE, Kowloon. With immediate possession.

Apply to—

HIP ON INSURANCE CO., LTD., 42, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1906. 470

TO LET.

SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Shewan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices, Ground Floors and Top Floors

BANKS.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000
 SUBSCRIBED.....1,125,000
 PAID-UP.....592,500
 RESERVE FUND.....110,000

BANKERS:
 LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.
 ON FIXED DEPOSITS:-
 For 12 months.....4 1/2%
 " 6 ".....4%
 " 3 ".....3 1/2%
 A. R. LINTON, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1905.
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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.
 CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED...Yen 25,000,000
 CAPITAL PAID-UP.....13,000,000
 CAPITAL UNPAID-UP.....8,000,000
 RESERVE FUND.....9,940,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.
 BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
 Tokyo Kobe Nagasaki
 Osaka Lyons New York
 London Honolulu Bombay
 San Francisco Tientsin Newchwang
 Shanghai Peking Mukden
 Dulay Chiofo Tieling
 Port Arthur

LONDON BANKERS:
 THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
 PARK'S BANK, LIMITED.
 THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
 On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent per annum on the daily balance.
 On fixed deposits for 12 months 5%, per annum
 " 6 " 4 1/2%
 " 3 " 3 1/2%
 TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1905.
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THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1855.
 HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£200,000
 RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....£200,000
 RESERVE FUND.....£275,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.
 On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent
 " 6 " 3 1/2%
 " 3 " 3%
 T. P. COCHRANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1905.
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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000
 RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000
 SINKING RESERVE.....\$5,000,000
 RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
 A. HAUPT, Esq., Chairman.
 Hon. C. W. DICKSON, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
 E. Goss, Esq.
 C. H. LORAN, Esq.
 G. H. MATHUR, Esq.
 A. J. RAYMOND, Esq.
 F. SALINGER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
 Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.
 Shanghai—H. E. F. HUNTER.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
 On Current Account at the rate of Two per cent per annum on the daily balance.
 ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
 For 3 months, 2 1/2% per cent. per annum.
 For 6 months, 3 1/2% per cent. per annum.
 For 12 months, 4 1/2% per cent. per annum.
 J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1906.
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DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....Sh. Tael 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
 Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

FOUNDED by the following Banks and Bankers:
 KÖNIGLICHE SIEBENHUNDLUNG (PREUSSISCHE STAATSBANK) Berlin.
 DIRECTION DER DISCONTO-GESELLSCHAFT DEUTSCHE BANK S. BIECHOWSKER BERLINER HANDELS-GESELLSCHAFT BANK FÜR HANDEL UND INDUSTRIE ROBERT WARSCHAUER & CO. MENDELSSOHN & CO. M. A. VON ROTHSCHILD & SOHNE JACOB S. H. STERN NORDDEUTSCHE BANK IN HAMBURG, HAMBURG SAL. OPPENHEIM, JR. & CO., KÖLN. BAYEISCHE HYPOTHEKEN-UND WECHSELBANK, MÜNCHEN.

LONDON BANKERS:
 Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SON; THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENT; DIRECTION DER DISCONTO-GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts, DEPOSITS received on terms which may be desired on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

HUGO SUTER, Sub-Manager.
 Hongkong 9th September, 1905.
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Abbey's Effervescent Salt

Do you get up with a "born-tired" feeling mornings? bad taste in your mouth? dull headache? wabbling stomach? Unpleasant but familiar, isn't it?

It is proof that you need Abbey's Salt, the stomach regulator, and need it badly.

A dose of Abbey's Salt before breakfast will quickly drive these ill feelings away and set you right within an hour.

Sold in two sizes by all Chemists and Stores, and by Watkins, Ltd., and A. S. Watson, Ltd., Hong Kong.
 The Abbey Fruit Salt Co., Ltd., 144, Queen Victoria Street, London, E.C. 4.
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BANKS

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Bole may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
 J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902.
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THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER)

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....Yen 5,000,000
 CAPITAL PAID-UP.....2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPER, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
 Amoy Kobe Tientsin
 Anping Nagasaki Yokohama
 Foochow Osaka
 Keelung Shanghai

HONGKONG OFFICE:
 3, DES VUEX ROAD.
 Interest allowed on Current Account. Deposits received on terms which may be desired on application.

S. SHIGENAGA, Manager.
 Uongkong, 1st November, 1904.
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INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Visal Agents of the United States in China the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS:
 AUTHORIZED.....Gold \$10,000,000
 CAPITAL PAID UP.....Gold \$3,250,000
 RESERVE FUND.....Gold \$3,250,000

HEAD OFFICE: New York.
 LONDON OFFICE: Threadneedle House, E.C.

Branches and Agents all over the World.
 LONDON BANKERS:
 NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.
 UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

BRITISH LINEN COMPANY BANK
 The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:-
 For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
 " 6 " 4 " " "
 " 3 " 3 1/2 " " "
 H. PINCKNEY, Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Central,
 Hongkong, 29th September, 1905.
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BENGER'S Food

The British Medical Journal says: "Benger's Food has by its excellence established a reputation of its own."

A delicious, highly nutritive, and most easily digested Food, specially prepared for Infants and for Adults whose digestive powers have been weakened by illness or advancing years. The experience of thousands has proved that this Food can be enjoyed and assimilated when others disagree.

A Lady writes:—"Humanly speaking, Benger's Food entirely saved baby's life. I had tried every well-known food, but he could digest nothing, until we began the Benger. He is now rosy and fattening rapidly."

Benger's Food in tins of chemists, etc., everywhere.

Frankfurt a/M.

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LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE V. KOWLOON.
 This match was played on the Civil Service ground at Happy Valley on Saturday, the result being a win for Kowloon by 36 runs. The total scores were:-
 Kowloon 54; Civil Service, 18.

H. K. C. C. V. NAVAL TEAM.
 Played on the Hongkong Club's ground on Saturday, this match was won by the Club team by six runs. The scores were as under:-

NAVAL TEAM.			
Dr. Horley, c. Posenby, b. Pearce	0		
Mr. Woodward, c. Pearce, b. Mackay	16		
Mr. Huxton, c. Pearce, b. Smith	17		
Mr. Gibson, c. Pearce, b. Pearce	0		
Mr. Edgett, b. Pearce	21		
Mr. Parke, not out	24		
Rev. Hastings, b. Mackay	2		
C. Bentons, c. Fowler, b. Mackay	19		
Mr. Grieve, c. Fowler, b. Pearce	19		
Mr. Osborne, b. Pearce	1		
Mr. Gardner, c. Pearce, b. Mackay	28		
Extras	7		
Total	175		

H.K.C.C.			
T. E. Pearce, c. Woodward, b. Hastings	13		
T. S. Smith, c. Horley, b. Hastings	10		
Major Williamson, b. Woodward	24		
W. A. Powell, c. Gibson, b. Woodward	11		
Capt. Krickbeck, not out	62		
C. H. Mackay, b. Woodward	1		
N. B. Rutherford, b. Woodward	1		
G. A. B. Posenby, c. Horley, b. Woodward	31		
G. E. Morrell, b. Hastings	2		
C. H. Hastings, b. Hastings	19		
C. B. Figgitt, not out	4		
Extras	4		
Total	181		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

NAVAL TEAM.			
Pearce	13.3	1	52
Mackay	19	1	66
Smith	15	1	26
Rutherford	3	1	15
Morrell	3	1	15

H.K.C.C.			
Det. Hastings	21.5	5	50
Det. Gibson	1	1	26
Woodward	17	4	46
Det. Edgett	2	1	26
Com. Bealock	2	1	8
Extras	4		
Total	112		

CRAIGENGOWER V. H.K.C.C. "A."

This match was played on Craigengower's ground at Happy Valley on Saturday and ended in a win for the visitors by 17 runs. Scores are:-

H.K.C.C. "A."			
P. Jacks, b. Irving	18		
W. Peake, c. Louder, b. Irving	21		
Rev. H. R. Wells, run out	6		
P. R. Wolf, c. Lammer, b. Nalland	19		
J. H. Gardner, b. Lammer	19		
T. C. Gray, c. Castro, b. Irving	4		
A. S. Cohen, c. Irving, b. Lammer	16		
C. C. Scott, b. Lammer	6		
C. C. Ollie, b. Irving	17		
H. H. Taylor, not out	1		
Extras	4		
Total	112		

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L. E. Lammer, b. Scott	9		
D. W. Stewart, b. Peake	1		
P. R. Wolf, c. Gray, b. Scott	19		
H. Rapp, c. Gray, b. Scott	1		
E. Irving, c. Gardner, b. Peake	13		
R. Huxton, b. Peake	28		
T. Huxton, c. Jacks, b. Taylor	6		
L. A. Rose, c. Wolf, b. Peake	7		
D. Almadro, c. Castro, not out	9		
R. B. Cooper, c. Wells, b. Peake	9		
F. Lammer, run out	9		
Extras	18		
Total	95		

RUGBY.

H. F. C. V. "ANDROMEDA".

This, the only match at the Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, attracted a large attendance. The Club turned out in the order already given, but the sailors did not present the strong combination that was expected. The latter were kept on the defensive most of the time, though occasionally their forwards had a brilliant breakaway, and had to retire defeated by 19 points to nil.

RACQUETS TOURNAMENT.

Subjoined are the handicaps and draw for the Racquets Tournament:

SINGLES.—R. T. Birbeck (rec. 2 hands and 8 points) a bye; R. Hancock (ser.) v. Lt. E. H. Lowell (rec. 2 hands and 6 pts.); T. E. Pearce (rec. 2 h. and 8 p.) v. Lt. Case Morris (rec. 2 h. and 8 p.); T. C. Gray (rec. 2 h. and 9 p.) v. Lt. Col. Fitton (rec. 2 h. and 4 p.); Lt. Duncan (rec. 2 h. and 9 p.) v. H. W. Slade (rec. 2 h. and 4 p.); G. H. Edwards (rec. 2 h. and 7 p.) v. Capt. Verecher (rec. 2 h. and 2 p.); Lt. F. B. Humphreys (rec. 2 h. and 8 p.) a bye; Lt. M. W. Graham (rec. 2 h. and 3 p.) a bye.

DOUBLES.—H. P. Thomas and T. E. Pearce (rec. 6 points) a bye; G. H. Edwards and C. A. Parker (rec. 7 points) v. Lts. F. B. Humphreys and Case Morris (rec. 4 points); W. A. Crane and R. Henderson (rec. 7 points) v. Lt. Col. Fitton and Lt. M. W. Graham (ser.); Capt. Verecher and Lt. Lovell (ser.) a bye.

CHAMPIONSHIP.—Lt. Col. Fitton v. Capt. Verecher; Lt. M. W. Graham v. R. Hancock.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg and Co., in their weekly share list, dated February 24th, say:—Business still remains slack and investors' attention has been confined to a few stocks only. The sterling demand rate on London closes at 2s. 1d., rates on Shanghai are 7 1/4 for T/T and 7 1/4 for a three days' sight private paper. Barsilver in London is quoted 3 1/16 and Consols 90 1/2.

BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai has weakened to \$890 with possible small sellers at this price; the London rate is £91 10s. 0d., which must be ex the dividend of £2 15s. 0d. payable on Monday next.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions have improved to \$750 buyers, and China Traders to \$924 buyers, but with shares being scarce, higher rates can probably be obtained. Cantons are in demand at \$34.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong Fires are unchanged, but China Fires are wanted at \$89. Comparing the accounts for 1902, 1903, and 1904, we arrive at the following figures:-

	1904.	1903.	1902.
Total income from premiums less reinsurance	\$341,381.48	\$341,307.18	\$280,917.06
Losses paid	291,122.40	153,617.42	116,808
% from income as above	75.73	45.08	41.78
Charges, Commissions, &c.	90,207.11	74,972.36	68,183.44
% from income as above	23.44	21.96	24.70
Profit to Contributing Shareholders	159,351.97	112,717.40	105,925.62
Income from interest	115,400.44	119,645.77	115,400.44
Dividend	7 per share	7 per share	7 per share
Placed to reserve	11,418.29	22,364.17	22,364.17

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have slightly weakened and are obtainable at \$244. Indes remain quiet at \$297. Shanghai reports 7 1/4 steady, and London £10 10s. 0d. as last week. Shells have improved to 24s buyers; the London rate is £1 1s. 0d.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars are in strong demand at \$212 1/2, for June business has been done at \$221. Luzons are on offer and have receded to \$39 sellers.

MINING SHARES.—Rauhs dropped to \$94.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Whampoa Docks are weaker and are obtainable at \$163. Peninsular are quoted \$244 and \$24 for old and new shares respectively. Kowloon Wharves are on offer at \$107 and Hongkong Wharves are strong at \$123.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have gone back to \$117 sellers, Shanghai Land Investments to 7s. 11d. and Hongkong Hotels to \$149 sellers. The remainder under this heading is unchanged.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have buyers at 7s. 5d. Internationals have improved to 7s. 4d. Laon Kung Mills are quoted 7s. 5d. ex div, and Hongkong Cottons are in demand at 15s.

SUNDRY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electric (old shares) sold at \$164 and \$164 with further buyers at the latter price, while the new shares sold at \$16 with further sellers at this rate. Green Islands sold at rates ranging from \$31 1/2 to \$32 1/2, but are on offer now at \$35. Hongkong and China Gas Company shares can be placed at \$175. The remainder under this heading is unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Providents are in demand at \$840, whilst sellers are holding out for \$830. Langkats are wanted at 7s. 2d. Watsons are slightly weaker with sellers at \$13. Powells sold at \$11, and the remainder does not call for any special reply.

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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 25th February
PRINCESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 14th March
BAEEN	WEDNESDAY 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 23rd May
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STEAMER	TONS	SAILING DATES
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PRINZ SIGISMUND	3912 tons	TUESDAY, 1st May.

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			Sunday	Saturday
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STEAMERS.	Leave	Leave	Due at
	HONGKONG	SINGAPORE	LONDON
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JAVA	4500	Mar. 28	about
FORMOSA	4500	Apr. 11	about

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.

"SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1906.

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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TOJIMAH	JAVA	Second half of February	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of February
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TOJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1906. [377]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"

Captain E. Fey, will be despatched for the above
Ports on WEDNESDAY, 28th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Agents.

Hongkong, 21th February, 1906. [489]

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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S.S. "OCEANIC,"
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MARITIMES.
NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex
Matanzas from Havre ex ss. Matanzas

connection with above Steamers
 hereby informed that their Goods, with
 exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuable
 being landed and stored at their risks
 are hazardous and/or extra hazardous Goods
 the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & God-
 own, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may
 be made immediately after landing.
 Optional Cargo will be forwarded on un-
 derwritten Lading if the Goods are not
 immediately received from the Consign-
 ment 2 P.M. To-day, requesting it to
 be landed here.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
 undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered
 at the above time, the 26th of February, at NOON, will
 be subject to the following charges.
 All claims must be made within 30 days

All damaged packages will be examined
 on the 26th February, at 3 P.M.
 No Fire Insurance has been effected.
 G. DE CHAMPEAUX
 Agent.
 Hongkong, 19th February, 1906.

“SILESIA,”
Captain Bahle, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
undersignature by the Undersigned and
for immediate delivery of their Goods from
onboard.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be added into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous goods of the Hongkong and Kowloon Steamer and Godown Company, Limited, at Consignee's risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date no claim can be considered.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods are left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th Feb. will be subject to the same.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th Feb., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1906. [46]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED,
AND
HINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVA-
TION COMPANY, LIMITED.
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ONS: GNEES per Company's Steamer
"LAERTES."
hereby notified that the Cargo is being
shipped into Craft, and/or loaded at the

wards of the Hongkong and Kwilo
part and Godown Co., Ltd., where in bot
as it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo
be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown
and after the 20th inst.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice
been given prior to steamer's arrival.
If broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined at 11 A.M., on the 26th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
left the steamer's Godown, and all Good

claiming undelivered after the 26th inst.
be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before the
1st March, or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1906. [9-10
OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED,
 AND
 HINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA-
 TION COMPANY, LIMITED
 ———
 CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer
 "DIOMED,"
 hereby notified that the Cargo is being
 discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the
 wharves of the Hongkong and Kowloon
 S.S. Co. and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both

it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo
be ready for delivery from Craft of Godown
d after the 25th inst.
tional cargo will be landed unless notice
een given prior to steamer's arrival.
broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to
ft in the Godowns, where they will be
ined at 11 a.m., on the 1st March.
Claims will be admitted after the Goods
left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods
undiscovered after the 1st March will
ject to rent.

Claims against the Steamer must be
 presented to the undersigned on or before the
 1st March, or they will not be recognised.
 Fire Insurance has been effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1906. [9-10]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
 FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

E Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"

arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
are hereby informed that their Goods
delivered from alongside.

Go impeding the discharge will be landed
at, at Consignees' risk and expense.

Go remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the
instant will be landed at Consignees'

and expense into the hazardous and/or hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd.

Signees of Cargo from SINGAPORE are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from the same, such Cargo impeding the discharge of Vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

Fire Insurance has been effected.

Cost of Lading will be countersigned by the

DAVID SASSOON & Co, LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1906. [488]

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